

RE: federal working group

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Rae-Ann, thanks for connecting us.

Marlin and Peter, thanks for the quick response.

First and foremost, well done in terms of your fast actions on purchasing tow trucks. We get the challenge of about finding skilled operators immediately. But simply having a few trucks available is a game changer.

TC is coordinating a working group that includes Procurement and Public Safety (Rob Stewart, DM) Public Services and Procurement Canada (Paul Thompson, DM) and RCMP to support local police, and provincial authorities in securing enough truck/tractor removal capacity- thru drivers, heavy tow trucks, or other heavy equipment (EG bulldozers).

I have asked Kevin Brosseau, ADM Safety and Security at TC, to follow up with you to connect up to see how best we can support you in lining up the capacity police need for their enforcement operations. I have passed your phone numbers to Kevin to call.

Michael

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Thank you for this Rae-Ann. I have cord Peter to this as he is overseeing or efforts on this with a team from our ministry and transportation.

We are actually posed to make several purchases today as a matter of fact, with a number of vehicles identified for followup.

Michael could you and Peter connect to ensure we join efforts

Our biggest challenge appears to be obtaining operators at this time though we might be faster on equipment acquisition if we can combine efforts.

Marlin

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Hi Marlin,

I was just chatting with my counterpart at Transport Canada, Michael Keenan, and he indicated that they have struck a bit of a working group on looking at tow issues/equipment etc.

We thought it would be a good idea to loop you in to those discussions to ensure any strategies they look are not at counter-purposes to what AB may be doing – i.e. bidding on same equipment etc.

By cc, I have included Michael's email and he will loop you in with his relevant ADM, etc.

Rae-Ann

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